

Community Update



LYNX Blue Line Capacity Expansion

July 16, 2013



Tonight's Meeting

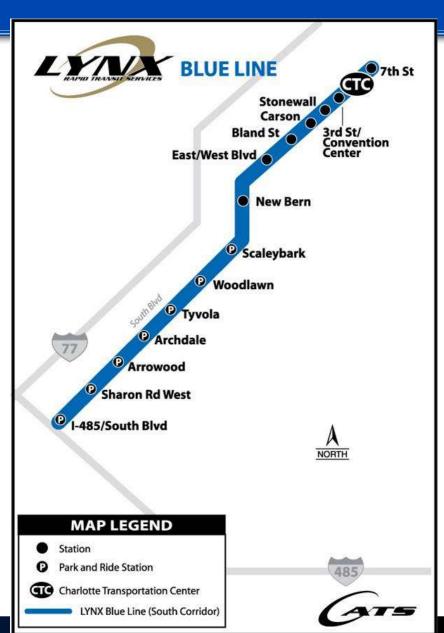
- LYNX Blue Line Success
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 Overview
- Potential Effects of Construction
- Project Schedule
- Communication





LYNX Blue Line Success!

- Uptown Charlotte to I-485/ South Boulevard, 9.6 miles, 15 stations with 7 park and rides
- LYNX Blue Line opened in November 2007
- LYNX Blue Line ridership surpassed initial ridership projections by > 60% in less than three years
- TOD Impacts
 - Pedestrian-friendly development
 - \$1.4 billion Transit Oriented
 Development (TOD) investment
 projected by 2013
 - \$18.8 million in new tax revenue (prior to revaluation)







Capacity Expansion:

- Benefits of platform expansion and addition power
 - Accommodate more riders
 - Ability to run express services during special events
 - Provide for regular future 3 car train services
- Benefits of addition traction power substations
 - Ability to run express services during special events
 - Ability to increase frequency of services to meet future needs
 - Reduces chance of interrupted service







LYNX Blue Line Capacity Expansion Project Overview

Project Overview

- Funded by Federal
 Transportation Investment
 Generating Economic
 Recovery (TIGER III)
- Expand two platforms to accommodate 3-car trains
- Add 4 traction power substations (TPSS)







LYNX Blue Line Capacity Expansion





Side Loaded Platform:

Stonewall Street
 Station

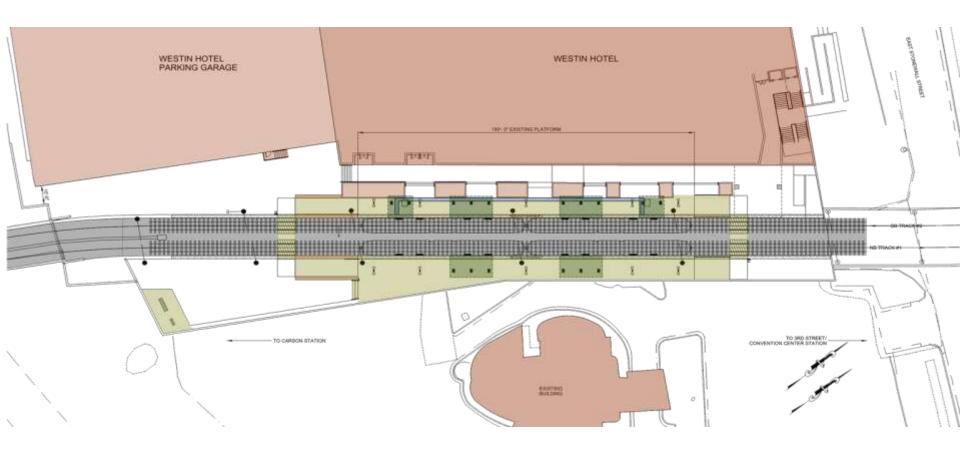
Center Loaded Platform:

 I-485/ South Boulevard Station



Stonewall Street Station

- Side loaded platform
- Existing platform





Stonewall Street Station

- Side loaded platform
- Proposed platform expansion





Stonewall Street Station Construction

Potential effects of construction:

- Access to adjacent surface parking
- Construction noise
- Single-tracking LYNX light rail service



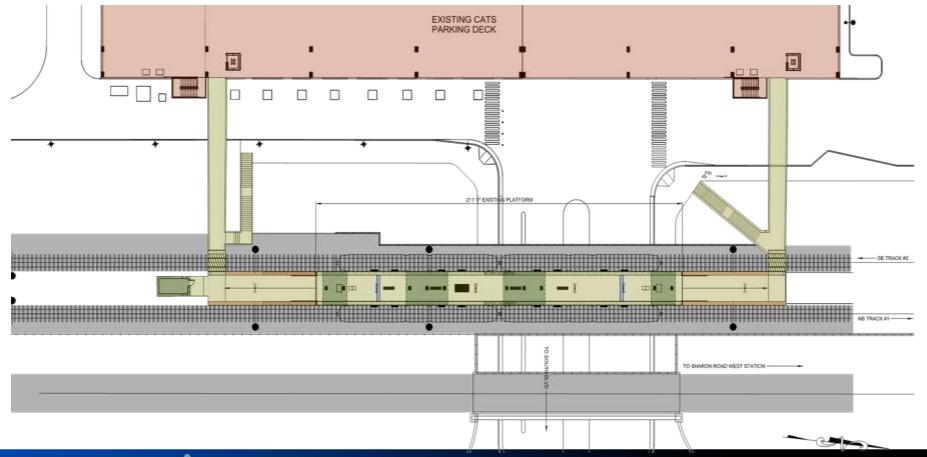






I-485 / South Boulevard Station

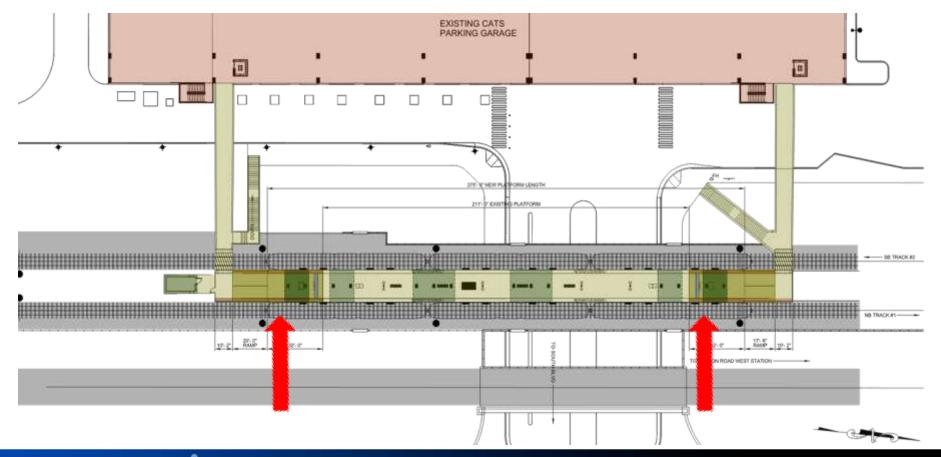
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I-485 / South Boulevard Station

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I-485 / South Boulevard Station Construction

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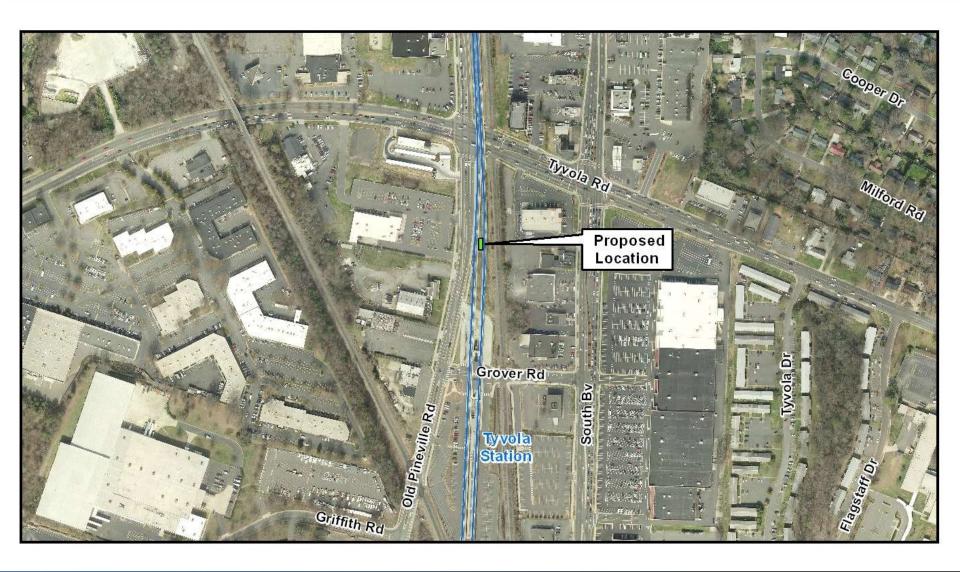


Proposed Traction Power Substation Location #3



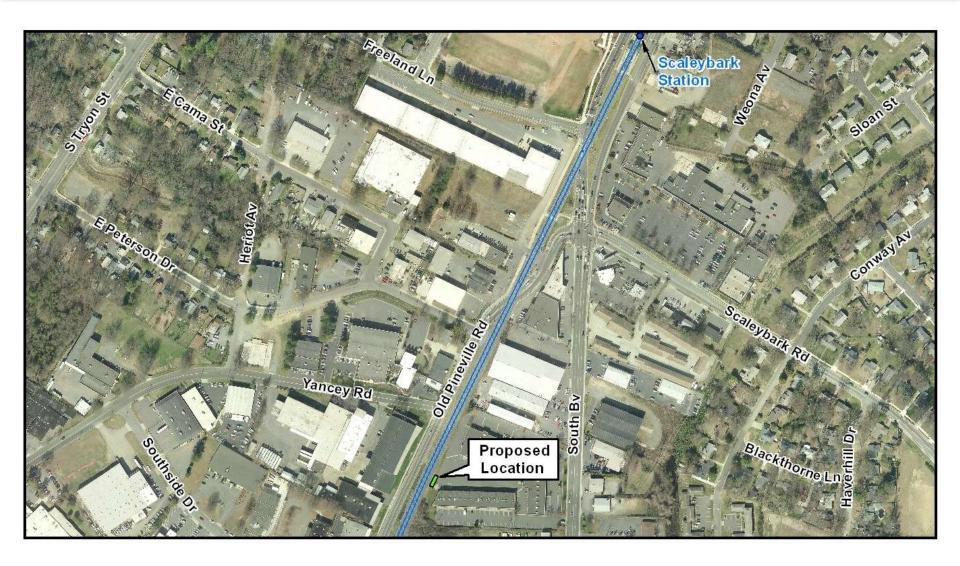


Proposed Traction Power Substation Location #5





Proposed Traction Power Substation Location #7





Proposed Traction Power Substation Location #9





Example of Traction Power Substation Construction



Traction Power Substation construction is not anticipated to impact CATS customers





LYNX Blue Line Capacity Expansion Schedule

| Milestone | Date |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|
| Awarded (TIGER III) Grant | September 2012 |
| Federal Funding Agreement Signed | October 2012 |
| Review 30% Design Plans | June 2013 |
| Final Design | October 2013 |
| Start Construction | March 2014 |
| Right-of-Way Acquisition | April 2014 |
| Begin Testing and Integration | June 2015 |
| Blue Line Capacity Expansion Complete | August 2015 |



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